## **SENATE BILL No. 245**

## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 33-4-1-60.

**Synopsis:** Owen circuit court magistrate. Allows the judge of the Owen circuit court to appoint a full-time magistrate to replace a court appointed referee. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the commission on courts.)

Effective: July 1, 2003.

## **Bray**

January 9, 2003, read first time and referred to Committee on Judiciary.





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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in this style type, and deletions will appear in this style type.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning courts and court officers.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. IC 33-4-1-60 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 60. (a) The county of
Owen shall be and constitute the seventy-eighth judicial circuit of the
State of Indiana.

- (b) The Owen circuit court has a standard small claims and misdemeanor division.
- (c) The judge of the Owen circuit court may appoint one (1) full-time magistrate under IC 33-4-7 to serve the court. The magistrate continues in office until removed by the judge. Funds may not be used to compensate both:
  - (1) a magistrate appointed by the court under this subsection; and
  - (2) a referee appointed by the court under the Indiana Rules of Court.

SECTION 2. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003] If a court appoints a magistrate under IC 33-4-1-60(c), as amended by this act, the magistrate replaces any referee appointed by the court under



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Small Claims Rule 14 of the Indiana Rules of Court.



